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LOUISIANA RESIDENT SENTENCED ON FIREARM CHARGE

BATON ROUGE, LA – United States Attorney David R. Dugas announced that DAMEON MATTHEWS, age 22, of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, was sentenced in federal court today by U.S. District Court Judge James J. Brady on a charge of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. MATTHEWS pled guilty to the charge on June 23, 2007, and was sentenced today to a term of imprisonment of thirty-seven months and three years of supervised release. The charges against MATTHEWS arose out of a February 10, 2007, report of shots being fired outside of Macy's department store at the Mall of Louisiana.

The case was investigated by the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Joseph E. Blackwell.

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